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FROM AMBASSADOR BRUCE

1. I MET WITH LUNS SEPTEMBER 5 TO CARRY OUT INSTRUC-

CTIONS CONTAINED IN THE MESSAGES UNDER REFERENCE.

2. WITH REGARD TO CUTTING OFF PORTUGUESE ACCESS
TO NATO INFORMATION CLASSIFIED SECRET AND ABOVE,
LUNS FAVORED EARLY ACTION AND HOPED FOR EARLY ALLIED AGREEMENT
PERHAPS AT PRIVATE MEETING OF PERMREPS SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 8.

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3. CONCERNING A POSSIBLE PUBLIC STATEMENT BY HIM,

LUNS SAID HE WAS WILLING TO MAKE SUCH A STATEMENT BUT PREFERRED TO DEFER PENDING THE RESULTS OF THE PERMREPS DISCUSSION SEPTEMBER 8 AND POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENTS OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS IN LISBON.

4. I ALSO INFORMED LUNS OF US VIEWS ON ATTENDANCE ONLY BY PORTUGUESE PERMREP AT THE SEPTEMBER 12 SALT BRIEFING. LUNS SAID HE WOULD INFORM PORTUGUESE PERMREP DE FREITAS CRUZ AT A FORTHCOMING MEETING LUNS HAS SCHEDULED WITH HIM.

5. IN A MORE GENERAL VEIN, LUNS EMPHASIZED HIS INTENTION TO MAINTAIN HIS INDEPENDENT PREROGATIVE WITH REGARD TO PROTECTION OF NATO SECURITY WHICH HE REGARDS AS A PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL. THUS, HE SAID HE WOULD BE PREPARED TO TAKE SUCH STEPS ON HIS OWN AS NECESSARY TO PREVENT COMPROMISE. HOWEVER, HE DID NOT WISH TO TAKE ACTION OF ANY KIND, INCLUDING A PUBLIC STATEMENT, UNTIL HE HAS HAD A CHANCE TO CONSULT FURTHER WITH THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES (LESS PORTUGAL) ON SEPTEMBER 8 AND TO TALK WITH PORTUGUESE PERMREP.

6. LUNS ALSO IS CONCERNED ABOUT THE ISSUE OF DE FREITAS CRUZ'S ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS OF THE NAC/DPC. HE FEARED THAT EXCLUDING DE FREITAS CRUZ WOULD RISK AN OUTCRY IN LISBON, PERHAPS ENHANCING PRESSURES FOR PORTUGUESE WITHDRAWAL FROM NATO. MOREOVER, IF THE AMBASSADOR WERE EXCLUDED FROM NAC/DPC SESSIONS, LUNS SAID EFFECTIVE PORTUGUESE PARTICIPATION IN THE WORK ON THE ALLIANCE WOULD BE TERMINATED, AND LISBON MIGHT BLAME THE AMBASSADOR FOR NOT TAKING STEPS TO PREVENT HIS EXCLUSION. THUS, IN LIGHT OF THESE CONSIDERATIONS, AND TO PROTECT DE FREITAS CRUZ, LUNS FAVORED ALLOWING THE PORTUGUESE TO PARTICIPATE IN NAC/DPC MEETINGS, THOUGH HE ALSO FAVORED DIVIDING NAC AGENDAS BETWEEN (A) REGULAR AND (B) VERY PRIVATE SESSIONS, SO THAT IN THE LATTER THE PORTUGUESE AMBASSADOR WOULD NOT BE ACCOMPANIED BY ANY MEMBERS

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OF HIS STAFF.

7. COMMENT: OUR RECOMMENDATIONS WITH REGARD TO THE PARTICIPATION OF DE FREITAS CRUZ IN MEETINGS WITH THE COUNCIL ARE PROVIDED IN USNATO 4812, AND COINCIDE LARGELY WITH LUNS' PERSONAL CONCLUSIONS. I WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE ON THIS ASPECT FOR USE SEPTEMBER 8. FINALLY, PERHAPS I AM BEING UNREALISTIC WHEN I OFFER PERSONAL VIEW THAT ACTION WHICH MIGHT BE USED BY COMMUNIST

PROPAGANDA ELEMENTS IN PORTUGAL AS DEMONSTRATION OF FOREIGN
INTRUSION INTO PORTUGUESE DOMESTIC TERRITORY NOT
BE UNDERTAKEN UNTIL AND UNLESS AMBASSADOR CARLUCCI
HAS ELICITED FROM ANTUNES GROUP AND OTHER MODERATE
LEADERS THEIR OPINION AS TO EFFICACY AT PRESENT TIME
OF A DECLARATION BY SYG. END COMMENT.BRUCE UNQUOTE
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